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FM AMEMBASSY SAIGON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 7839

INFO AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST

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AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

AMEMBASSY WARSAW

USDEL JEC PARIS

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAIGON 17575

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, VS

SUBJECT: ICCS: FEC PAYMENT AND ICCS FINANCES

REF: SAIGON 16751 AND SAIGON 17416

1. FEC IS SENDING ICCS LETTER DATED OCT. 8 NOTIFYING SERVICE WILL BE SUSPENDED OCT. 10 SINCE OCT. 1 INVOICE FOR APPROXIMATELY \$40,000 HAS NOT YET BEEN PAID. DIRGEN NUR ASKED FEC WHETHER IT COULD GRANT TWO EXTRA DAYS OF GRACE, AND FEC MAY INFORMALLY AGREE TO DEFERRING SUSPENSION UNTIL OCT. 12. NUR OBVIOUSLY HAS IN MIND ICCS SESSION ON BUDGET SCHEDULED FOR OCT. 9, WHEN COMMISSION MAY DECIDE DEFER PAYMENTS ON OTHER BILLS IN ORDER PAY FEC.

2. TEXT OF LETTER AS FOLLOWS:

QTE DEAR MR. AMBASSADOR:

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WITH CONSIDERABLE REGRET, FEC IS COMPELLED TO NOTIFY

YOU OF THE SUSPENSION OF OUR SERVICES AS OF THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS,  
10 OCTOBER 1973, UNLESS OUR INVOICE (S-016 DATED 1 OCTOBER 1973)  
IS PAID ON OR BEFORE THAT DATE.

BECAUSE OF OUR AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE  
EFFORTS OF THE ICCS IN VIETNAM, FEC HAS PREVIOUSLY, AS A  
TEMPORARY EXPEDIENT, AGREED TO INTERIM VARIATIONS FROM THE  
CONTRACT TERMS; HOWEVER, THE MATTER OF PAYMENT HAS NOW DEPARTED  
SO FAR FROM THOSE PROVISIONS THAT THE OBSERVANCE OF SOUND  
BUSINESS PRACTICE NECESSITATES THAT WE SUSPEND OUR RELATIONSHIP.  
THE FOREGOING IS SUBJECT, OF COURSE, TO PAYMENT OF OUR INVOICE  
BY 10 OCTOBER, OR AGREEMENT REACHED AS THE RESULT OF SUCH  
FURTHER DISCUSSION AS MAY TAKE PLACE PRIOR TO THAT DATE.

AS INDICATED, FEC SINCERELY REGRETS THE NECESSITY  
FOR THIS ACTION BUT FINDS THAT OUR ABILITY TO COMPROMISE FURTHER  
ON THE ISSUE HAS NOW BEEN EXHAUSTED.

VERY TRULY YOURS,  
FEDERAL ELECTRIC CORPORATION  
L.J. VENATOR, MANAGER, CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

END QTE  
MARTIN

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